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Welcome to the planet Mobius – a world unique and beyond what you know from the SEGA games! Where Sonic the Hedgehog and the heroic Freedom Fighters work to save the world from the forces of evil!

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PREVIOUSLY

Since Dr. Eggman launched his evil DEATH EGG Mark 2 battle station, the Freedom Fighters have had it pretty rough! The evil (omelet) dictator's first attack was the "Cosmic Reset Button," which altered reality itself!

Super Sonic was able to set the world right, but was unable to save Sally as she bravely sacrificed herself to stop Eggman's World Roboticizer. Transforming her into the most menacing evil the planet Mobius has ever seen: MECHA SALLY.

With the recent losses of Sally, Bunnie and Antoine, Mobius' greatest team of heroes, the Freedom Fighters, are no more. But from the ashes of their destroyed team, two NEW teams have risen – Rotor's Team Freedom, and Sonic's Team Fighters! Team Freedom defends the Acorn Kingdom while Team Fighters is on the offensive to hunt down the Eggman and bring the mad doctor to justice!

After a brief tussle in Furville, Team Fighters is in hot pursuit of the Death Egg. The Eggman's next target?

The Wolfpack nation...



Who's Who



SONIC THE
HEDGEHOG
HERO OF MOBIUS



DR. EGGMAN
EVIL GENIUS



GRAND CHIEF
LUPE
LEADER OF THE
WOLF PACK NATION



QUEEN HATHOR
LEADER OF THE
FELIDAE



ABOARD THE
DEATH EGG II...

LOYALTY

Part One: THE RIGHT TO RULE



WHAT DO
YOU MEAN YOUR
BASE IS BEHIND
SCHEDULE?!

WELL, SEE, IT'S
THE WOLF PACK
NATION, BOSS...

THEY'RE ALLIED
WITH THE FELIDAE,
TOGETHER, THEY'RE
TOO MUCH FOR
US TO...

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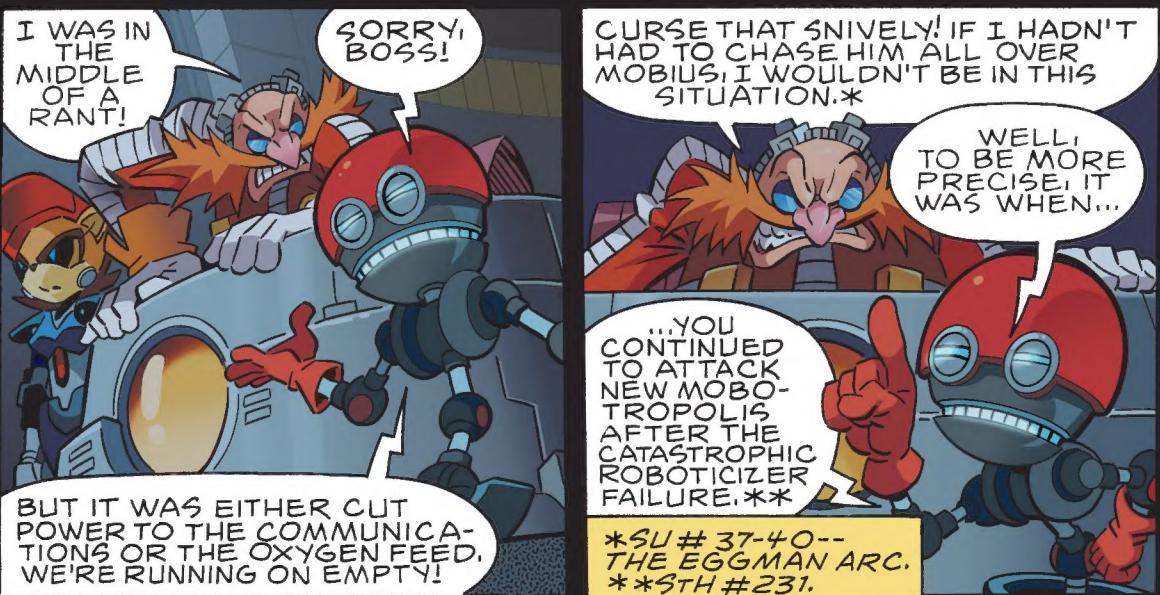
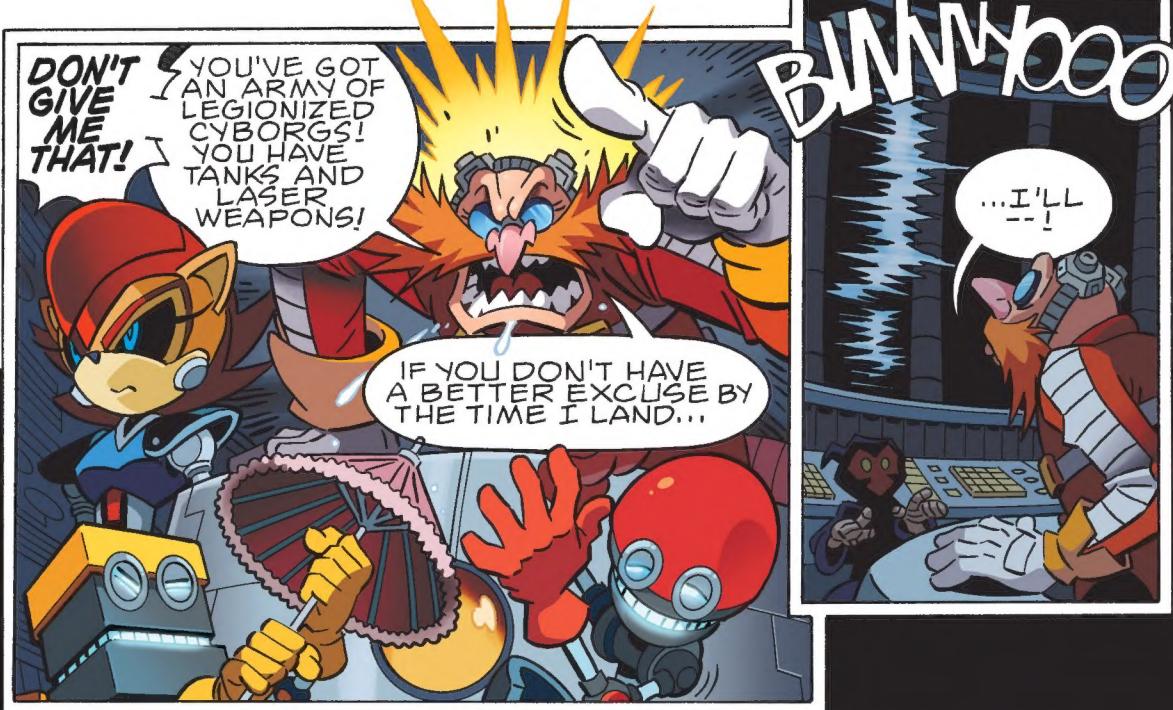


QUEEN HATHOR
Leader of the
Felidae

DRAGO &
RAZORKLAW
Regional
Grandmasters

GRAND CHIEF LUPE
Leader of the
Wolf Pack
Nation

MECHA SALLY
Weaponized
Robot Slave



HMPH, THIS REGION WOULD'VE ALREADY FALLEN TO ME IF THE ORIGINAL PLAN HAD WORKED, BUT THE TWO WARRING NATIONS FOUND PEACE, THANKS TO SONIC AND...



*STH # 214.

...THE PRINCESS, OH-HO-HO! TELL ME, MY DEAR MINION, HOW WOULD YOU GO ABOUT RUINING THE PEACE YOUR FLESHY SELF...

...WORKED SO HARD TO CREATE?



THE PEACE BETWEEN THE WOLF PACK NATION AND PAIS MISTERIOSO IS TENUES AND MAINTAINED ONLY BY THEIR MATRIARCHS. REMOVE THE LEADERS, LEAVE ROOM FOR SUSPICION, AND THE TWO GROUPS WILL TURN ON EACH OTHER.



EXCELLENT! I WOULD'VE SAID "CARPET BOMB THE CONTINENT," BUT MY RESOURCES ARE LIMITED. I'LL LET YOU TAKE CARE OF THIS...



...WHILE I REFUEL AND RESTOCK THE DEATH EGG.



BY YOUR WILL.



SOON...

WOLF PACK NATION--
GRAND CHIEF'S
CHAMBER...

HELLO?
THE MEETING OF
THE PACK
LEADERS ISN'T
FOR ANOTHER
COUPLE OF
HOURS.

PRINCESS?
IS THAT YOU?
WHAT A PLEASANT
SURPRISE!
WHAT'S THE--

--OCCASS--ACK!!





LATER THAT DAY...

IT'S GOOD
TO BE BACK.
IN THE
WOLFPACK
NATION!
I JUST HATE
THAT WE'RE
BRINGING
THEM BAD
NEWS.

IT'LL BE
FINE!

WITH LUPE
BACKING
US UP...

...WE'LL
REALLY
BE ABLE TO
SOCK IT TO
EGGMAN!

HEY, GUYS!
WHAT'S
SHAKIN'?

SONIC?!

SHHH!
THEY'LL
HEAR
YOU!

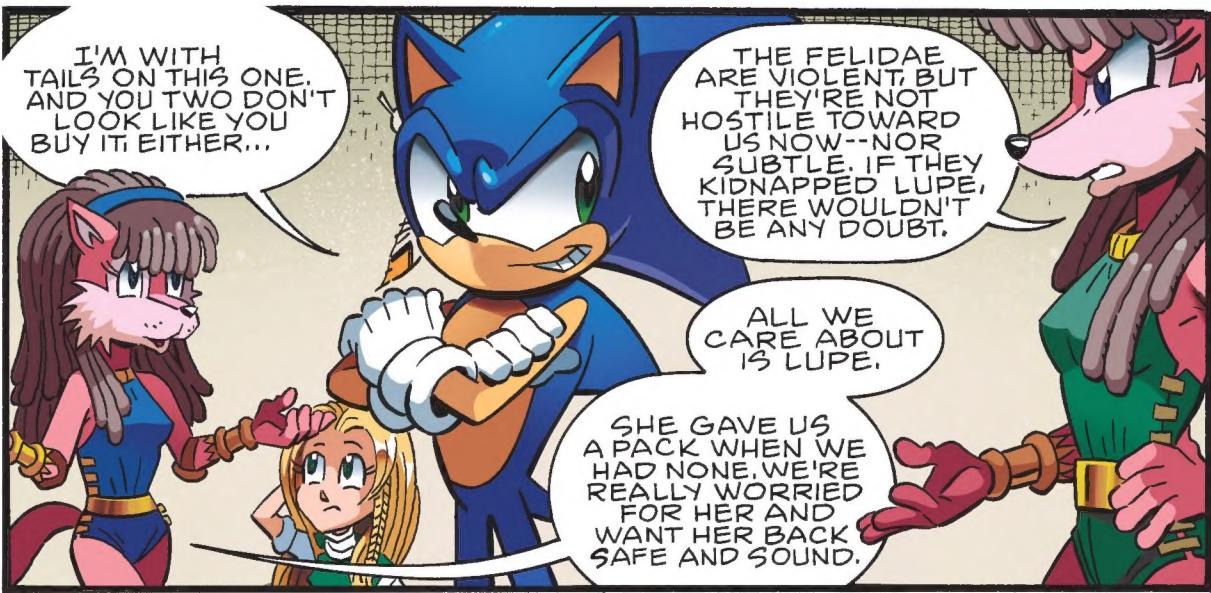
WHO
WILL
HEAR
US?
WHAT'S
WRONG

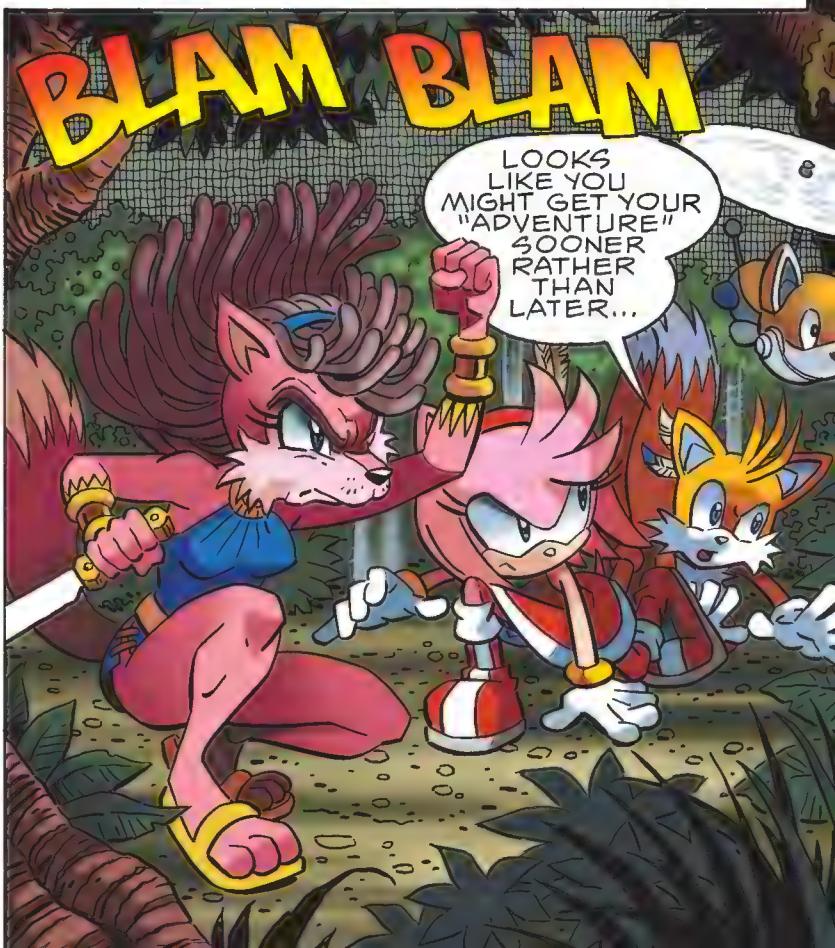
IT'S MAMA! SHE'S
MISSING, AND PAPA
THINKS THE FELIDAE
DID IT!

THAT DOESN'T
SOUND RIGHT.
WHY WOULD THEY
ABDUCT LUPE
DURING A TIME
OF PEACE?

DAD SAYS YOU CAN'T TRUST
THOSE NASTY CATS! SO HE
AND THE OTHER PACK
CHIEFS ARE DECIDING ON
HOW BEST TO GO TO WAR!

WE WERE
TRYING TO
LISTEN IN!







HE'S A GREAT DISTRACTION!



NEVER QUITE AS SATISFYING AS BUSTING A SWAT BOT, BUT THEY'LL DO!

QUEEN HATHOR, WE PRESUME?

WHERE IS GRAND CHIEF LUPE?

I--I AM NOT THE QUEEN! I AM BUT A HUMBLE ENVOY, BUT THE QUEEN AND GRAND CHIEF...



UM... SONIC? ISN'T THIS THE QUEEN?

NO, SEE, THEIR CULTURE IS BASED ON CLOTHING. NO QUEENLY ROBE MEANS SHE'S NOT THE QUEEN RIGHT NOW.

THREW ME OFF AT FIRST, TOO. I GOT THIS.



HEY THERE,
"EMMISARY"
HATHOR.

I'M
"AMBASSADOR"
SONIC. YOU
MIGHT REMEMBER
ME BY MY
SOCKS.

CAN YOU
CLUE US IN
TO WHAT
HAPPENED
TO THE
QUEEN
AND LUPE?

YES!
HELLO,
AMBASSADOR!
I CERTAINLY
CAN!

"THE TWO OF THEM WERE
CAPTURED BY ONE OF
DR. EGGMAN'S ROBOTS. THE
GRAND CHIEF BELIEVED IT
TO BE A TRANSFORMED
PRINCESS SALLY..."

...AND AS A "ROBIAN,"
YOU ARE A SLAVE.
I WAS ROBOTIZED
ONCE, SAYING IT WAS
A "HORRIBLE EXPER-
IENCE" IS ONLY A
START.

AND YOU SAY
SHE'S BEEN
FURTHER
MODIFIED?
LIKE SOME
COMMON
TOOL?

...AS FAR
AS I CAN
TELL, YES.

SUCH A
DISHONOR.
SUCH A
DISGRACE!

MY WARRIOR'S WILL
NOT SIT IDLY BY WITH
ME MISSING. THEY WILL
LASH OUT, AND MOST
LIKELY AT YOUR
WOLVES! THERE IS NO
GLORY IN SUCH A
CONFLICT!

WHAT? HOW?
WE'RE TRAPPED.

YOU DON'T KNOW
WHAT YOU'RE
ASKING OF ME.

I CAN HELP YOU
REACH THAT VENT,
AND YOU CAN
ESCAPE WHILE
EVERYONE IS DIS-
TRACTED RE-SUPPLY-
ING THIS BASE. I
HAVE FACED
ROBOTIZATION
BEFORE. I WILL
DO IT AGAIN.

YES,
I DO.
I'M
ASKING
YOU TO
SAVE OUR
PEOPLE...

...THEN
YOU MUST
STOP THEM.

NO, YOU CAN'T.

...FROM
WAR AND
DR. EGGMAN.

I'M MAKING MY SACRIFICE.
THIS WILL BE YOURS.

AN
INTERESTING
STORY...

VERY
WELL.



...COMING FROM
ONE WHO MEETS
WITH...

...WOLVES AND
OUTLANDERS.

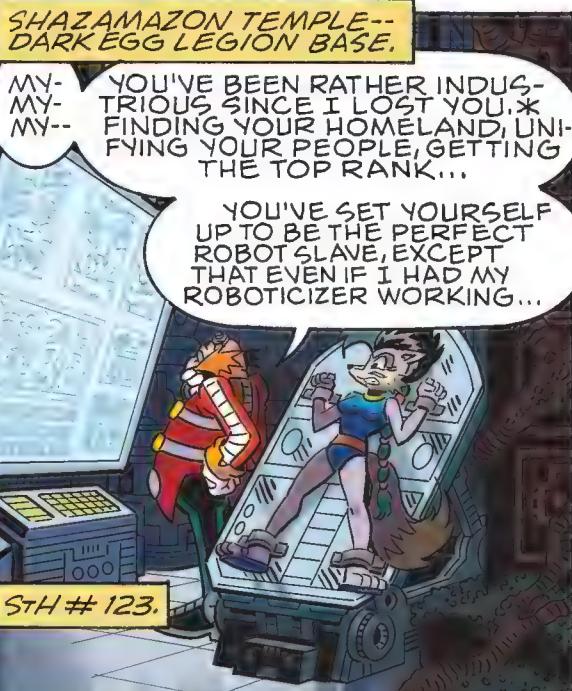
WOLVES WHO ARE OUR
ALLIES--FOR NOW. OUT-
LANDERS WHO WOULD
DRIVE BACK THE
LEGION AND HAVE
SERVED OUR
QUEEN IN
THE PAST.

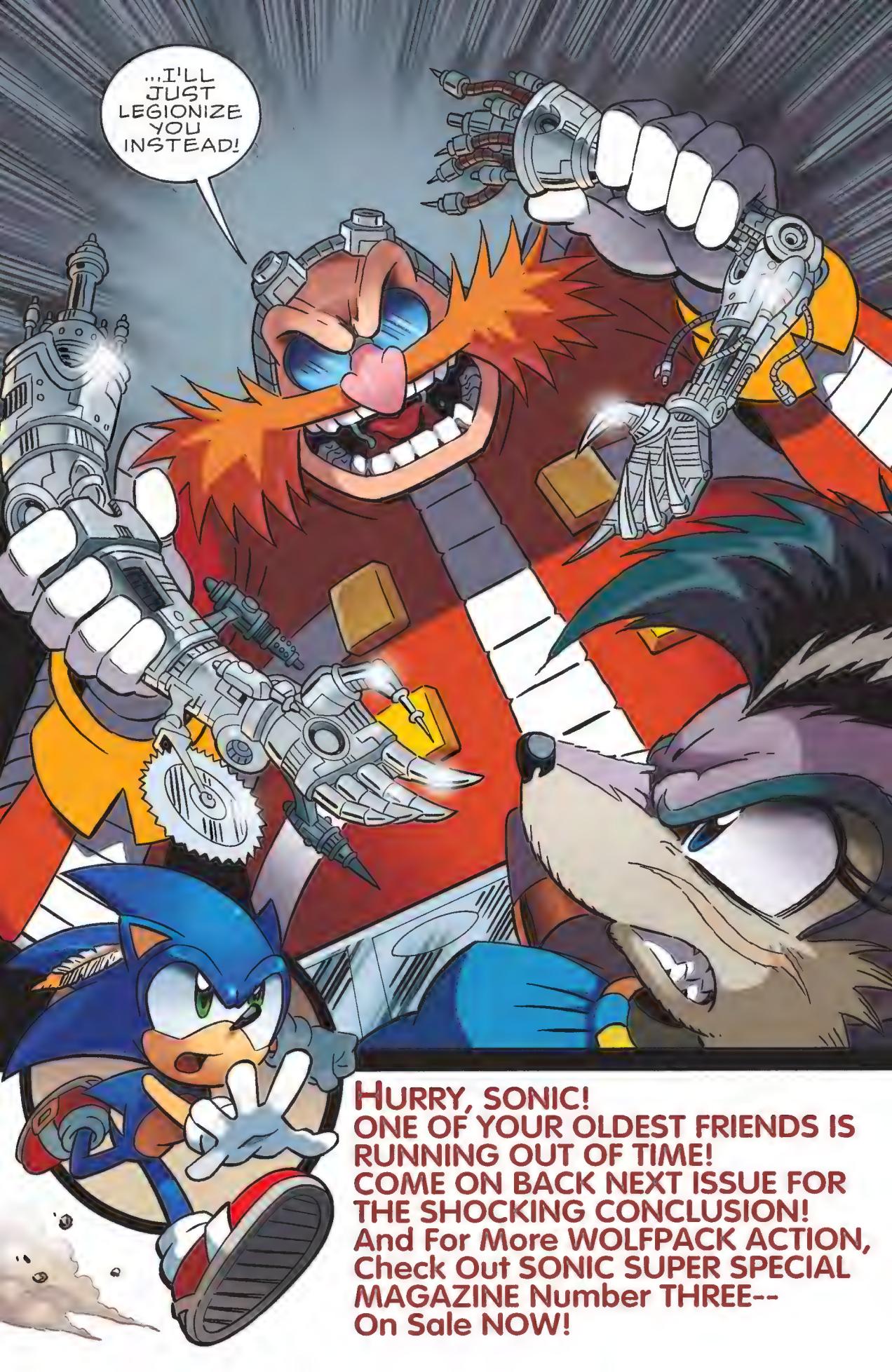
THIS COULD
GET UGLY,
GUYS. BE
READY TO
DO IT
TO IT.

I DO NOT HAVE THE
QUEEN'S AUTHORITY, BUT
I BEAR HER WILL. WOLF
AND FELIDAE MUST UNITE
AGAINST DR. EGGMAN AND
HIS LEGION; I WILL SEE TO
IT THE OUT-
LANDERS FREE
THE Matri-
ARCHS AND RE-
TURN THEM
TO THEIR
DOMAINS.
WHAT
SAY
YOU?

WE FOLLOW THE
COMMAND OF THE QUEEN,
BUT IT WILL BE UP TO THE
WOLVES TO LISTEN.

IF THEY
STRIKE FIRST
...WE WILL
MAKE IT
THEIR LAST.





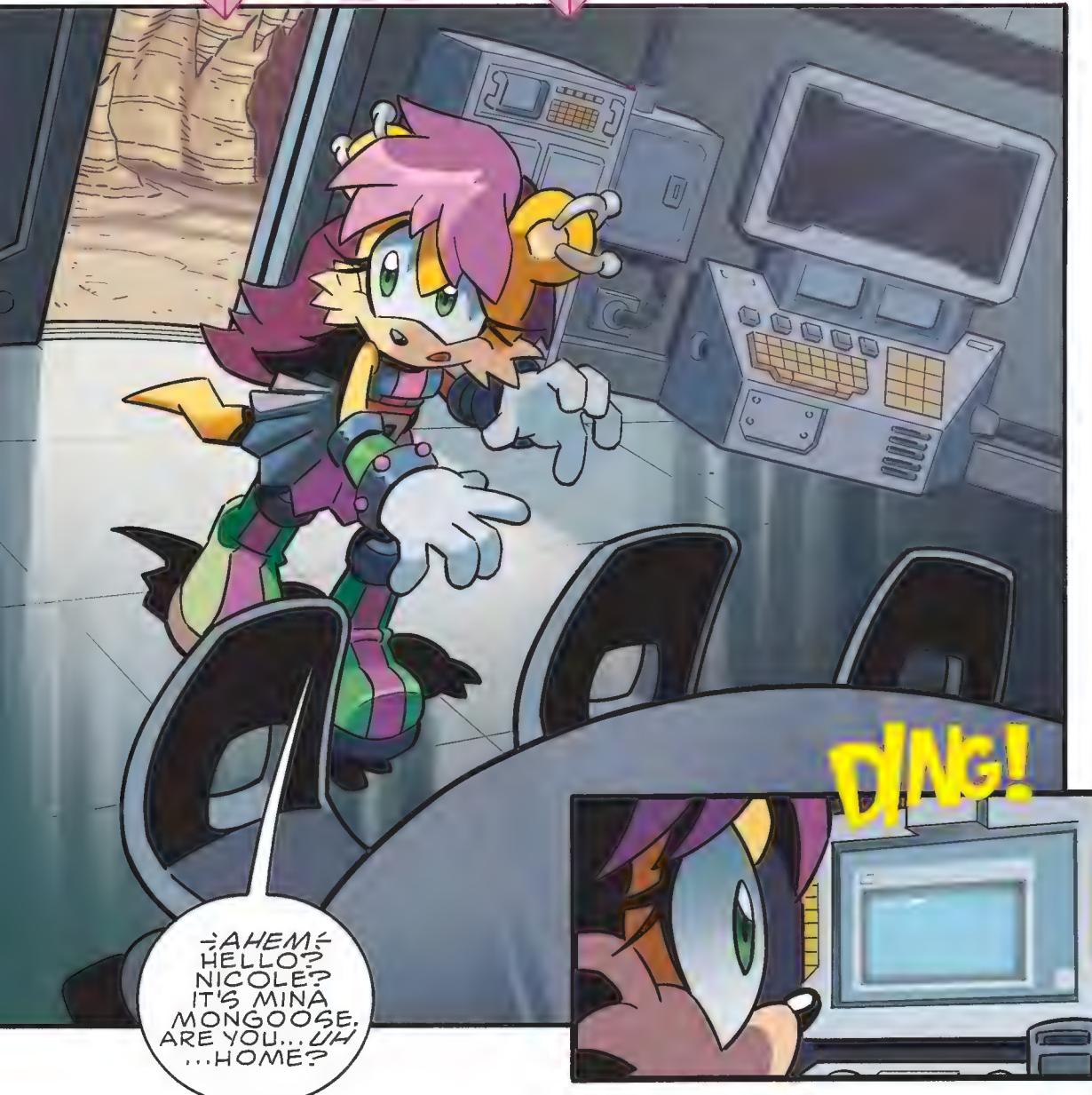
...I'LL
JUST
LEGIONIZE
YOU
INSTEAD!

HURRY, SONIC!
ONE OF YOUR OLDEST FRIENDS IS
RUNNING OUT OF TIME!
COME ON BACK NEXT ISSUE FOR
THE SHOCKING CONCLUSION!
And For More WOLFPACK ACTION,
Check Out SONIC SUPER SPECIAL
MAGAZINE Number THREE--
On Sale NOW!

OKAY
YOU CAN
DO THIS...YOU
CAN DO
THIS.

HEART HEART TO

WRITER: Ian Flynn
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NO-N-NO... I'M SO SORRY!
THIS ISN'T WHAT I
WANTED! I WANTED TO
EMPOWER THE PEOPLE WITH
MY MUSIC. I WANTED THEM TO
ASK THE HARD QUESTIONS
AND STAND UP FOR THEMSELVES.
INSTEAD, ALL THEY DID WAS
GET... ANGRY AND FRIGHTENED.
I... I'M STILL NOT SURE HOW
I GOT IT SO WRONG.



PLEASE LET ME EXPLAIN?
I ADMIT I DIDN'T
FULLY UNDERSTAND YOUR
SITUATION AT THE TIME,
BUT I DO UNDERSTAND
WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE...
CONTROLLED.* I WANTED
THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS
TO MAKE SURE YOU WERE
ALL RIGHT INSTEAD OF
TAKING IT ON FAITH. WE'VE
GOT TO GET YOU BACK
IN THE CITY.

GANG!

..."NO"?

*STH # 185-186.

Do.
I failed my friends.
I could not save Sally.
I was not there for Uniteine.
I watched Bonnie leave.

ALL THAT STUFF
HAPPENED UNDER SONIC'S
WATCH, TOO, BUT HE DIDN'T
QUIT. HE'S LEADING TEAM
FIGHTERS RIGHT NOW!
ROTOR'S PULLED
TOGETHER TEAM
FREEDOM! AND I'M...

...I'M
TRYING TO
MAKE THINGS
RIGHT
WITH YOU,
BECAUSE I
FAILED
YOU.

I FAILED AS A
FREEDOM FIGHTER.
I FROZE UP AND
ALMOST GOT MY-
SELF KILLED ONCE...*
I MOVED ON TO BE
A SINGER TO IN-
SPIRE PEOPLE, AND
INSTEAD...

...I
TURNED
THEM
AGAINST
YOU.

*STH # 120

NICOLE, I MISSED THE
MARK WITH MY LAST CON-
CERT, I WANT TO MAKE THIS
RIGHT--HAVE TO MAKE IT
RIGHT--FOR YOU.
PLEASE...TALK
TO ME...



AND AS SELFISH AS IT SOUNDS... I NEED YOU BACK. I CAN'T FORGIVE MYSELF IF YOU REMAIN LOCKED UP FOREVER. I'M SORRY, BUT THAT ISN'T ENOUGH. YOU NEED TO BE FREE.

...SOMEONE TOLD ME ONCE... I SHOULD BE BRAVE TO MEET THE ANGER WITH REASON...*

YEAH?
IT'S NOT AN EASY THING TO DO.



AND CAN YOU FORGIVE ME FOR TAKING THIS LONG TO SAY I'M SORRY?

...YES, I CAN FORGIVE YOU.

YOU? YOU'RE THE BEST! I'M WORKING ON A NEW SET OF SONGS RIGHT NOW. I'M GOING TO GET THE MESSAGE **RIGHT** THIS TIME! WE'RE GOING TO CHANGE THE PEOPLE'S MINDS, AND WE'RE GOING TO GET YOU BACK WHERE YOU BELONG!

I...THANK YOU. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING IT. ...I...SUPPOSE PART OF DEVELOPING EMOTIONS IS LEARNING TO COPE WITH THEM AS WELL.

IT'S NOT EASY, SO... YOU'RE BACK WITH US? NO MORE HIDING IN THE COMPUTER?

NO.

PLEASE FORGIVE THE INTRUSION, LADIES. EAVESDROPPING IS MY TRADE. AND I NEED MS. NICOLE'S ASSISTANCE FOR...

...A CERTAIN PROJECT OF MINE.

NO MORE HIDING... NONE OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS WOULD HIDE. I NEED TO MOVE FORWARD.

I'M GLAD TO HEAR YOU SAY THAT.

SO NOT THE END!
PICK UP
SONIC UNIVERSE #41
ON SALE THIS MONTH
TO FIND OUT
WHAT HAPPENS NEXT!

the SONIC SPIN

editorial commentary, with the right to rule!

CALLING ALL ECHIDNAS!

Hey there, Sonic fans! Paul here to bring you the good word on some of the latest and greatest in the world of Sonic graphic novels! This month's spotlight is on Knuckles Archives vol. 2, available now at a book or comic store near you (as well as archiecomics.com, but you knew that already, didn't you)!

(FROM LEFT TO RIGHT) THUMBNAIL SKETCH, BY PAUL KAMINSKI, AND COVER SKETCH BY PATRICK "SPAZ" SPAZIANTE FOR THE COVER OF KNUCKLES ARCHIVES VOL. 2!

In this volume, you get not one, but TWO complete Knuckles story arcs – "Lost Paradise" and "Dark Vengeance!" Like Enerjak? So do we! Check out his dramatic return to the life of Rad Red!

Also new to this volume are the "Secrets from the Floating Island" features, which showcase special never-before-seen sketches and concept art from the early days of the Knuckles series! Not to mention a brand new cover by SPAZ himself!

SEE YA NEXT MONTH!
- Paul



KNUCKLES AS HE APPEARS ON THE COVER OF KNUCKLES ARCHIVES VOL. 2. AVAILABLE NOW!

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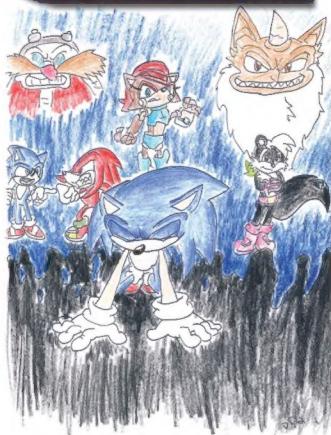
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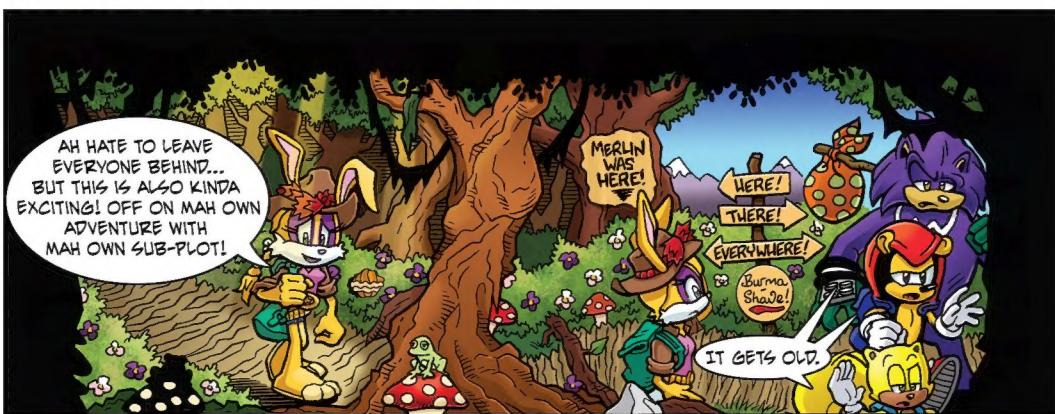
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HEY, KIDS!

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LETTERS

DUE TO THE OVERWHELMING AMOUNT OF FAN RESPONSE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO REPLY TO EACH FAN. SPACE LIMITATIONS MAY REQUIRE SOME PRINTED LETTERS TO BE EDITED. ALL YOUR LETTERS ARE APPRECIATED!

Dear Sonic-Grams,
I've started very late in the Sonic comic series, in fact I wasn't very interested in the comics until I saw one of them in Toys R Us. Then I fell in love with them after that.

Better late than never!

But enough with the sappy love story for the comics and on with the questions!

The "usual" beckons!

1) I hate that Silver gets all this flack, just because he was in one bad game IMO. I really love Silver. I think he's adorable. Can you guys make him a little smarter when the Secret Freedom Fighters arc comes out?

Silver has grown a lot in the comics since he first debuted, and while he can still be a little thick-headed, he's definitely wiser. I think it had something to do with learning about power and responsibility from his master!

2) I was wondering how long does it take for Ian to come up with the script for the Sonic comics?

Ian writes like Sonic runs -- fast and furious! Seriously though, the guy writes more scripts than I can keep up with, sometimes! He's a beast!

That's all for now, until next time.

Your loyal fan,
Hannah M.
sent to sonic@archiecomics.com

**Thanks Hannah,
glad you could join
the Sonic comic
party!**

Dear Sonic-Grams,
I haven't written to you guys in a while but I am still collecting Sonic comics every chance I get.

That's what we like to hear! Well...not the "haven't written" part but the part about you collecting -- well you know what I mean....

I'll have the usual today.

You got it!

I was wondering about Super Sonic Magizine concerning the Time Stones. I am a huge fan of Sonic CD and I was wondering if there will be an appearance of Little Planet within the comic?

Well if you got Sonic Super Special Magazine #3 you'll see Little planet appear in the exclusive Sonic 4 Episode 2 comic! If you're talking about the main Archie-Sonic continuity, then you may just get your wish...but I can say no more!

Here's what I see, those instructions that Silver has might have details about how to

get to Little Planet or at least how to make a certain series of events to bring it. Chronos-control is the only way to travel!

I love Chronos Control! I used it to travel back in time once to prevent a zit!

And could the traitor be Sally? She fits the quota, original freedom fighter, currently evil and has destroyed the team.

Thanks for the guess, but I can't say anything about that!

That's it for me, I very much hope you continue to produce such awsome art and comics, you guys are the coolest hedgehogs in town!

YOU are!

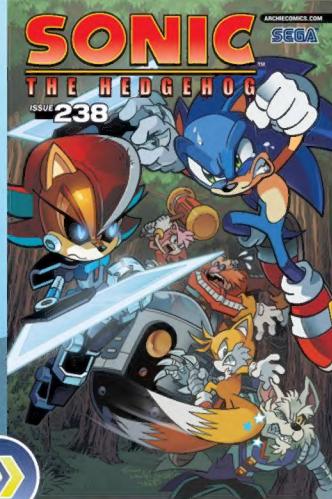
Metal Sonic's #1 fan,
Hunter H.
sent to sonic@archiecomics.com
P.S. I hope you guys don't kill off Snively!

Random "P.S." is random!

Well that's all the room we have for this issue!

See y'all next month for the conclusion to "Loyalty"!!

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THE FIGHT RAGES ONWARD!

SONIC BETTER STEP ON IT, OR ELSE LUPE IS LIKELY TO GET LEGIONIZED IN...

"LOYALTY PART II"
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